

# Special Education Programs

Information, News and Events

April 2017



## Next Sped Director Call:

April 18, 2017—10 a.m. CST

Connect through Skype for Business at:

[Join Skype Meeting](#)

Direct dial: 1(866)410-8397

Participant code: 1286289700

Agenda Items:

- Speech Path Assistants
- Endrew F. Decision
- Federal Application

## Sped Program Highlights

During the 2017-2018 Accountability Review Special Education Programs identified four districts who did not have non-compliance issues identified. Congratulations to the following districts:

McIntosh  
Sanborn Central  
Menno  
Warner

## STAFF:

[Linda Turner](#), Director

[Wendy Trujillo](#), Assistant Director

[Rebecca Cain](#), Program Specialist

[Angel Corrales](#), Data Manager

[Elizabeth Jehangiri](#), 619 Coordinator

[Jamie Morris](#), Program Specialist

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[Beth Schiltz](#), Program Specialist

[Ambrea Sikes](#), Program Specialist

[Merle Doolittle](#), Secretary

## Federal Program Highlights

**Early Childhood Check-In:** Find the latest information about ED's work in supporting our nation's youngest learners. Early Learning at ED newsletter, which shares with readers updates from the U.S. Department of Education and our partners on the work we are doing in the field of early childhood education and intervention.

## DOE Program Highlights

### **Board adopts new educator certification rules**

The South Dakota Board of Education has adopted new educator certification rules, overhauling the state's current system. [Click title to read more.](#)

### **Statewide mentoring program applications available**

The statewide mentoring program provides a first-year teacher access to a mentor teacher for a period of two years. Applications for new mentors are due May 1, and applications for new teachers are due June 16. Late hires will also have an opportunity to participate.

“Believe you can and  
you’re halfway there.”

Theodore Roosevelt

# Professional Development

(click on the titles to go to registration site)

## Center for Disabilities

2017 Autism Summer Institute-Visual Teaching and Classroom Strategies for Individuals with ASD. Please see attached flyer for more information.

## Center for Disabilities

Dakota Cohort Trainings in Deaf-Blindness Summer 2017. Please see attached flyer for more information.

## 2017 Special Education Legal Update: Where Are We Now?

This webinar will focus on the most important developments in special education law in 2016-17, including important cases from the circuit courts and the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as the change of administration in Washington. We will discuss eligibility, student discipline, IEP team meetings, parent rights, liability concerns, and other issues. We will emphasize practical application and will include plenty of time for Q&A.

**Date: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Time: 2pm-4pm CT**

## Catch the Wave

A one-day conference designed specifically for high school students who have a disability and are considering

post-secondary education at a college or technical institute. Pre-registration is required through the TSLP coordinators.

• **Watertown—April 20**

• **Rapid City—April 27**

## New Director Webinar Series

**Time:** Time: 3:00-4:30pm CST (webinars will be recorded and posted after the training)

*CEU's available for registered participants who participate on the Live call.*

• **Webinar 5: Budget/Fiscal Requirements - April 25, 2017**

**Learning Express** is available statewide through the DOE/State Library. It is a comprehensive database of academic and career-related resources.

It features skill-building tools for reading, writing, math, and science. There are test preparations for high school equivalency and college admission exams.

The workplace resources include tools for job searching, exploring new careers, and preparing for occupational licensing exams...and much more!

The targeted learning centers provide users of all ages with easy, one-stop access to relevant interactive tutorials, practice tests and e-books.

• **April 4, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Sioux Falls:**  
Siouxland Library-Downtown Branch,

• **April 20, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Rapid City Public**  
Library-Downtown Branch, Room A

• **April 21, 9:00 a.m. to Noon., Pierre: MacKay**  
Building, Library Commons

Daria Bossman or Kathleen Slocum if you have questions or want to register. 605-773-3131.

## 2017 MTSS Summer Conference

Featuring Randy Sprick and Jill Jackson,

June 28-29 in Chamberlain.

Registration is OPEN!

## 2017 National Conference on Interpreting in Education

The National Association of Interpreters in Education is having their second annual conference for interpreters

In conjunction with the conference, the TASK12 program is hosting a training for interpreters (TIPS) during the pre-session. Attached is a flyer that explains TIPS and its efforts to improve signing skills for school-based interpreters as well as registration information for the TIPS training in Colorado. This training starts with a day-long face-to-face that is followed by five months of online modules to improve signing skills. The trainers are national experts in the area of signing.



## Sped Program

### Feature Presentation

Register NOW for the 2017 MTSS

Summer Education Conference!

Cedar Shore Resort, Chamberlain

<http://www.cvent.com/d/t5qmgr>

### Featuring Randy Sprick on June 28:

Randy Sprick is an educational consultant and trainer in Eugene, Oregon. His work involves helping school staff set up schools and classrooms that encourage student responsibility and motivation, while humanely and effectively helping misbehaving students learn to behave in more responsible ways. Randy will teach participants to create a continuum of behavior supports and prevent and manage emotional escalation.

### Featuring Jill Jackson on June 29

Jill has traveled over 1,250,000 miles and has trained thousands of educators how to teach reading, plan for interventions and manage the latest education crazes so they don't lose their marbles. Jill will present on differentiating comprehension as well as differentiating writing instruction.

Grad credit available through USD

See flyer for more details.

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